

Senate Amendment 5120

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1 1 Amend Senate Resolution 123 as follows:
1 2 #1. By striking page 1, line 4 through page 3,
1 3 line 1 and inserting the following:
1 4 <A Resolution requesting the Legislative Council to
1 5 create a new century learning technology commission
1 6 to examine options for integrating technology into
1 7 the classroom to prepare students for an economy
1 8 that is increasingly dependent on technology and
1 9 innovation.
1 10 WHEREAS, the Senate finds that technology has a key
1 11 role in revolutionizing the state's education system,
1 12 and the integration of technology into the school
1 13 curriculum can motivate and assist students to achieve
1 14 at high levels and prepare them to become the
1 15 knowledge workers of the 21st Century workforce by
1 16 providing them with the skills necessary to compete in
1 17 the global market; and
1 18 WHEREAS, many Iowa schools are implementing
1 19 technology projects and updating technology in their
1 20 classrooms, including projects involving distance
1 21 learning, virtual learning, and laptop computers in
1 22 the classroom; and
1 23 WHEREAS, technology offers this state a significant
1 24 opportunity to improve the performance of its schools
1 25 and to promote a wide range of high-quality
1 26 educational options utilizing technology for children
1 27 enrolled in the schools of this state; NOW THEREFORE,
1 28 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, That the Legislative
1 29 Council is requested to create a new century learning
1 30 technology commission, to be charged with developing a
1 31 new century learning technology plan to achieve the
1 32 goal of preparing students for an economy that is
1 33 increasingly dependent on technology and innovation.
1 34 The commission shall examine the use of technology in
1 35 Iowa's and the nation's elementary and secondary
1 36 classrooms; and
1 37 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the plan developed by
1 38 the commission shall include, but not be limited to,
1 39 the following:
1 40 1. The costs and benefits of each component of the
1 41 plan.
1 42 2. The professional development needed to
1 43 integrate learning technology into classroom
1 44 technology.
1 45 3. Strategies for implementation of the plan,
1 46 including, at a minimum, phasing in the plan over a
1 47 term of years.
1 48 4. Strategies that coordinate the learning
1 49 technology in kindergarten through grade twelve with
1 50 the initiatives and resources of the department of
2 1 education, Iowa communications network, area education
2 2 agencies, higher education institutions providing
2 3 approved practitioner preparation programs, and other
2 4 accredited postsecondary institutions in the state.
2 5 5. Procedures for data tracking and assessment of
2 6 the progress in implementing the goals of the
2 7 initiative and the plan.
2 8 6. Strategies to establish a public-private
2 9 partnership between state government and a private
2 10 business with a proven record of success in
2 11 undertakings of similar focus and size; and
2 12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the plan shall be
2 13 consistent with the following guiding principles:
2 14 1. EQUITY. The plan shall promote equal
2 15 opportunity for and provide meaningful access to
2 16 wireless learning technology resources for all Iowa
2 17 students regardless of geographic location or economic
2 18 means.
2 19 2. INTEGRATION WITH THE STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AND
2 20 TEACHER QUALITY PROGRAM ESTABLISHED IN CHAPTER 284.
2 21 The plan shall support student achievement through the

2 22 integration of learning technologies that are content=
2 23 focused and that add value to existing instructional
2 24 methods.

2 25 3. SUSTAINABILITY AND AVOIDANCE OF OBSOLESCENCE.
2 26 The plan shall provide for the future sustainability
2 27 of learning technology resources by adapting to future
2 28 educational needs and technological changes and by
2 29 avoiding obsolescence of learning technology
2 30 resources.

2 31 4. TEACHER PREPARATION AND PROFESSIONAL
2 32 DEVELOPMENT. The plan shall provide professional
2 33 development and training programs for teachers and
2 34 other educators in the use and integration of learning
2 35 technology tools in curriculum development,
2 36 instructional methods, and student assessment systems.

2 37 5. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. The plan shall foster
2 38 economic development across all regions of the state
2 39 and the preparation of students for an economy that
2 40 embraces technology and innovation; and
2 41 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the commission shall
2 42 be appointed no later than July 1, 2004.

2 43 1. The commission membership shall consist of the
2 44 following:

2 45 a. Seven voting members from the general public
2 46 who shall be appointed by the Legislative Council.

2 47 b. One nonvoting, ex officio member who is a
2 48 member of the state board of education and is
2 49 appointed by the chairperson of the state board of
2 50 education.

3 1 c. One nonvoting, ex officio member who is the
3 2 state librarian or the state librarian's designee.

3 3 d. One nonvoting, ex officio member representing
3 4 public postsecondary education institutions who is
3 5 employed by a public postsecondary institution and is
3 6 appointed by the Legislative Council.

3 7 e. Three nonvoting, ex officio members
3 8 representing three different school districts and who
3 9 are appointed by the Legislative Council as follows:

3 10 (1) From a list of three names submitted by a
3 11 certified employee organization representing teachers
3 12 licensed under chapter 272, a teacher employed by a
3 13 school district or area education agency.

3 14 (2) From a list of three names submitted by a
3 15 statewide organization representing administrators
3 16 licensed under chapter 272, an administrator employed
3 17 by a school district.

3 18 (3) From a list of three names submitted by a
3 19 statewide organization representing school boards, a
3 20 member of a board of directors of a school district.

3 21 f. One nonvoting, ex officio member who is a
3 22 member of the Senate and is appointed by the President
3 23 of the Senate.

3 24 g. One nonvoting, ex officio member who is a
3 25 member of the House of Representatives and is
3 26 appointed by the Speaker of the House of
3 27 Representatives.

3 28 2. Commission members shall be appointed in
3 29 compliance with sections 69.16 and 69.16A.

3 30 Appointments of public members shall be made to
3 31 provide broad representation of the various
3 32 geographical areas of the state insofar as possible.

3 33 3. In appointing members to the commission, proper
3 34 consideration shall be given to persons with
3 35 experience or special knowledge in one or more of the
3 36 following areas: education, business, economic
3 37 development, technology, and finance.

3 38 4. The commission shall elect a chairperson and a
3 39 vice-chairperson from among the voting members of the
3 40 commission; and

3 41 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the commission shall
3 42 submit its findings, recommendations, and its new
3 43 century learning technology plan in a report to the
3 44 General Assembly by December 15, 2004.>

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